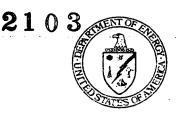


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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

TRANSMITTAL OF: 1) THE INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING STATUS REPORT FOR FOURTH QUARTER 1998 (MARCH 1999) AND 2) RESPONSES TO THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY COMMENTS ON THE INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING STATUS REPORT FOR THIRD QUARTER 1998 (DECEMBER 1998)

This letter serves to transmit the subject documents. The report has been prepared to meet the quarterly reporting obligation defined in the Integrated Environmental Monitoring Plan (IEMP) for the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP). In addition, as agreed to with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), agency comments on the Integrated Environmental Monitoring Status Report for Third Quarter 1998 have been addressed through the enclosed comment response document, rather than through revision of the report. The Integrated Environmental Monitoring Status Report for Fourth Quarter 1998 has incorporated the actions included in the enclosed comment response document.

Included with this transmittal is a CD-ROM which contains the data used in the development of the quarterly status report. The following WordPerfect files are included on the CD-ROM and identify all electronic files associated with each media: GW1298.wpd (groundwater), SW1298.wpd (surface water), and AIR1298.wpd (air and meteorological).

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Should you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Kathleen Nickel at (513) 648-316.

Sincerely,

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